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LightBonding.com Inc.

Application for a certificate of
local and interexchange authority
to operate as a resale and facilities-based
local exchange carrier and a reseller
of interexchange telecommunications
services in the State of Illinois.

00-0746

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE TO BECOME A
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER**

(Use additional sheets as necessary.)

GENERAL

1. Applicant's Name(including d/b/a, if any) FEIN # **54-2008148**

LightBonding.com Inc.

Address: **4100 Lafayette Center Drive**
Suite 305
Chantilly, Virginia 33614

2. Authority Requested: (Mark all that apply) ☒ 13-403 ☒ 13-404 ☒ 13-405

3. Request for waivers/variances: In applications for exchange service authority under Sections 13-404 or 13-405, waivers of Part 710 and of Section 735.180 of Part 735 are generally requested. In applications for interexchange service authority under Sections 13-403 and 13-404, waivers of Part 710 and Part 735 are generally requested. Please indicate which waivers Applicant is requesting.

Please see *Exhibit A*, appended hereto.

☒ Part 710 ☐ Part 735 ☒ Section 735.180 ☒ Part 250

4. In what area of the state does the Applicant propose to provide service?

Initially, Applicant proposes to provide service in the Chicago metropolitan area.
Over time, Applicant plans to provide competitive telecommunications service in
throughout the state.

5. Please attach a sheet designating contact persons to work with Staff on the following:

Please see *Exhibit B*, appended hereto.

- a) issues related to processing this application
- b) consumer issues
- c) customer complaint resolution
- d) technical and service quality issues
- e) "tariff" and pricing issues
- f) 9-1-1 issues
- g) security/law enforcement

Please identify each contact person's (i) name, (ii) title, (iii) mailing address, (iv) telephone number, (v) facsimile number, and (vi) e-mail address, if any.

6. Please check type of organization?

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation
<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership	Date corporation was formed <u>April 5, 2000</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	In what state? <u>Delaware</u>

7. Submit a copy of articles of incorporation and a copy of certificate of authority to transact business in Illinois.

Please see *Exhibit C*, appended hereto.

LightBonding.com has requested a Certificate to Transact Business from the Illinois Secretary of State. It is respectfully requested that the Commission docket the instant Application as filed pending submission of evidence of the Certificate to Transact Business of LightBonding.com as soon as it is issued by the Secretary of State.

8. List jurisdictions in which Applicant is offering service(s).

On May 17, 2000, Applicant's affiliate, LightBonding.com International Inc., received an International Telecommunications Certificate from the Federal Communications Commission. On October 5, 2000, Applicant received a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the California Public Utilities Commission for the provision of limited facilities-based and resold local exchange and limited facilities-based and resold interexchange services in that state. As of the date of this filing, Applicant also has applied for authority to provide intrastate local exchange and interexchange services in the following jurisdictions: Georgia, New York, New Jersey, the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Massachusetts. Applicant's wholly-owned subsidiary, LightBonding.com VA Inc., has applied for intrastate local exchange and interexchange authority in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

9. Has the Applicant, or any principal in Applicant, been denied a Certificate of Service or had its certification revoked or suspended in any jurisdiction in this or another name?

☐ YES (Please provide details) ☒ NO

10. Have there been any complaints against the Applicant in any other jurisdiction?

☐ YES ☒ NO

10. Have there been any complaints against the Applicant in any other jurisdiction?

____ YES ☒ NO

If YES, describe fully.

11. Will the Applicant keep its books and records in Illinois? ____ YES ☒ NO

If NO, permission pursuant to 83 Ill. Adm Code Part 250 needs to be requested.

Please see *Exhibit A*, appended hereto.

MANAGERIAL

12. Please attach evidence of the applicant's managerial and technical resources and ability to provide service. This may be in either narrative form, resumes of key personnel, or a combination of these forms.

Please see *Exhibit D*, appended hereto.

13. List officers of Applicant.

John D. Schanz

President

James A. Greenberg

Secretary and Treasurer

14. Does any officer of Applicant have an ownership or other interest in any other entity which has provided or is currently providing telecommunications services? ☒ YES ____ NO

If YES, list entity.

Yes. Messrs. Schanz and Greenberg also serve, respectively, as the President and the Secretary and Treasurer of LightBonding.com International Inc., and LightBonding.com VA Inc. Messrs. Schanz and Greenberg also are directors of LightBonding.com International Inc. and LightBonding.com VA Inc. The relationship of these entities to Applicant is described in the response to question 8 above.

15. How will Applicant bill for its service(s)?

LightBonding.com currently plans to render its own bills and send them directly to its customers; however, LightBonding.com may, in the alternative, contract with a billing agent to handle some or all of its billing functions. LightBonding.com will seek to ensure that all bills comply with the Commission's rules and regulations.

16. How does Applicant propose to handle service, billing, and repair complaints?

Applicant will resolve promptly all service, billing, and repair complaints from customers. Customers with complaints or billing inquiries may contact Applicant's authorized customer service center toll-free at 877-201-6989. Or, customers may write directly at the address listed in *Exhibit B* appended hereto. LightBonding.com commits to resolving all customer disputes and outages in a reasonable, timely manner, and to complying with the rules set forth in Ill. Admin. Code Tit. 83 § 735.190 for addressing customer disputes.

17. Will personnel be available at Applicant's business office during regular working hours to respond to inquiries about service or billing? ☒ YES ☐ NO

18. What telephone number(s) would a customer use to contact your company?

877- 201-6989

19. What are your procedures to prevent unauthorized "slamming" of customers?

LightBonding.com will abide by all Illinois rules regarding slamming. It is LightBonding.com's policy to switch a customer only after receiving proper authorization in accordance with Part 64 of the Federal Communication Commission's rules regarding changes in preferred carriers.

20. If granted authority to operate as a local exchange carrier, will the applicant abide by the following 83 Illinois Administrative Code Parts: 705, 710, 720, 725, 735, 755, 756, 757, 770, and 772?

☒ **(unless specifically waived)** YES ☐ NO (If no, please provide an explanation.)

21. Will the applicant sign and return membership forms to the Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation and the Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation?

☒ YES ☐ NO

FINANCIAL

22. Please attach evidence of applicant's financial fitness through the submission of its most current income statement and balance sheet, or other appropriate documentation of applicant's financial resources and ability to provide service.

Please see *Exhibit E*, appended hereto. As Exhibit E contains highly privileged and confidential information, it is being filed by Applicant under seal and pursuant to a motion for confidential treatment.

TECHNICAL

23. Does Applicant utilize its own equipment and/or facilities? ☒ YES ☐ NO

LightBonding.com will utilize a combination of its own equipment and facilities and lease or resale of the facilities and equipment of other equipment and service providers. Initially, LightBonding.com intends to provide data transmission services only.

If NO, which facility provider(s)'s services does Applicant use?

24. Please describe the nature of service to be provided (e.g., operator services, internet, debit cards, long distance service, local service).

By this Application, LightBonding.com seeks authority from the Commission to provide resold and facilities-based local exchange and facilities-based and resold interexchange services to and from all points within the State of Illinois.

Initially, LightBonding.com intends to provide point-to-point data transmission services over fiber optic networks which are optimized to support broadband Internet connectivity. LightBonding.com's initial data transmission offering is a point-to-point dedicated wavelength service. Over time, LightBonding.com plans to offer other enhanced data services such as ISDN, HDSL, Internet access, Local Area Network-to-Local Area Network interconnect, Wide Area Network services, frame relay and ATM (or asynchronous transfer mode). LightBonding's dedicated wavelength service consists of a DS3, OC3, OC12 or OC48 capacity digital channel available on a 24 hour-per-day, 7 day-per-week basis between two points. This service will support data transmission rates ranging from 44.736 Mbps to 2.488 Gbps.

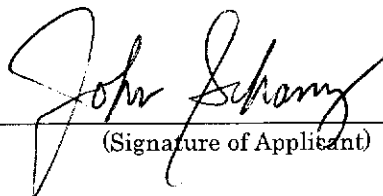
To the extent that LightBonding.com initially seeks to provide data transmission services only, it respectfully requests regulatory treatment afforded to other similarly-situated competitive resellers and facilities-based local exchange carriers and long distance resellers of data services in Illinois. Specifically, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission rule inapplicable any and all voicegrade requirements, Rules and/or Regulations including 83 Ill. Admin. Code 720, 725, 730, 755, 756, 757, and the rules related to 911 emergency service as well as 13-301, 13-301.1 and 13-703 of the Public Utilities Act of Illinois. The Commission has, in the past, deemed these voicegrade requirements to be inapplicable to providers of solely non-switched, point-to-point data telecommunications services. See, e.g., *Application of KMC Telecom V, Inc. for a Certificate of Local and Interexchange Authority to Operate as a Resale and Facilities-Based Local Exchange Carrier and a Reseller of Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the Chicago Metropolitan Area in the State of Illinois*, Docket No. 00-0384 (October 18, 2000). Should LightBonding.com introduce voice-grade telecommunications services in the future, it agrees to notify the Commission and abide by all applicable laws of the State of Illinois as well as the Commission's rules and regulations, including, but not limited to the voicegrade requirements.

25. Will technical personnel be available at all times to assist customers with service problems?

☒ YES ☐ NO

26. If Applicant intends to provide payphone service, will the equipment utilized comply with FCC requirements and Finding (9) of the Commission Order entered in Docket No. 84-0442 on June 11, 1986, including, but not limited to: (a) touch dialing; (b) access to 9-1-1 and "0" operator dialing without use of a coin; (c) rules governing use of payphones by disabled persons; (d) ability to complete local and long-distance calls; (e) unlimited duration for local calls; and (f) a message explaining the telephone's general operations, dialing instructions for emergency assistance, payphone owner's name, method of reporting service problems and method of receiving credit for faulty calls?

N/A.



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(Signature of Applicant)

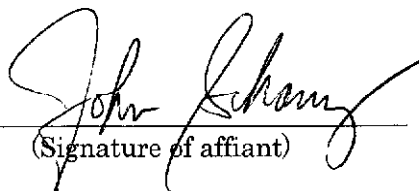
VERIFICATION

This application shall be verified under oath.


OATH

State of Virginia)
) ss
County of Fairfax)

John Schanz makes oath and says that he is the President of
LightBonding.com Inc.; that he has examined the foregoing application; that to the best of his
knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained in the said application are
true, and the said application is a correct statement of the business and affairs of the above-
named applicant in respect to each and every matter set forth therein.


(Signature of affiant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public
in the State and County above named, this 8th day of November, 2000.


(Signature of Notary)
My commission expires January 31, 2004